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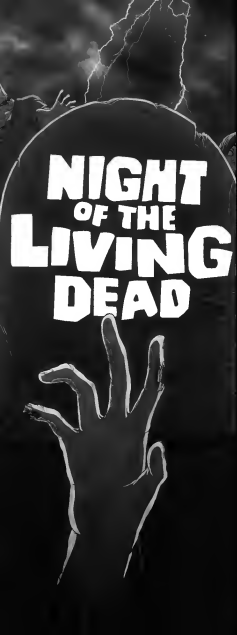
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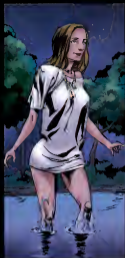
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HAVE YOU
EVER BEEN SO
MUCH TUBBY
IN YOUR LIFE?

DRINK. I
THINK WHEN I
SIGNED-UP I
GOT IN THE
WRONG LINE

FRONT
AND
CENTRE
74TH



YOU KNOW
THE DRILL. WE
GOT IN A HOLDING
PATTERN HERE
BEHIND THE
TREE LINE

NOW YOU'RE
GONNA SEE THESE
HIPPE FLICKS
ENGAGING IN ALL
KORTS OF ILLEGAL
ACTIVITIES. BUT THAT'S
FOR THE CANTROL
POLICE TO DEAL
WITH.



OUR JOB
IS TO
INTERESTS-
THAT'S IT

NONE OF
THESE PEACE
AND LOVE
PEAKS HAS
THE BALLS TO
RAISE
A FIST ANYHOW. SO
DON'T YOU DO IT
FIRST

THAT'S IT.
TAKE YOUR
POSITIONS AND
ENJOY THE
FREE TITTY
SHOW



HOW'S THE
OLD LADY
DOIN' WHITTIE
SHE HOLDIN
LIFE

YEAH. MAN.
AS GOOD AS
SHE CAN.
ACTUALLE NO
SHE'S NOT

I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
I'M GONNA
DO



ABOUT
WHAT?

EVERYTHIN'
SHIPPIN' OUT.
I'M GONNA LOSE
HER. WHETHER I
COME BACK OR
NOT.



"YEAH, I KNOW YOU'RE
GONNA SAY THAT'S A
BUNCH OF JIVE, BUT
IT'S FOR REAL, SHE
MAKES THREATS."

"SOMETIMES SHE TALKS
DIVORCE, DEAD SERIOUS.
SHE SAID THAT AFTER I GO
TO YAMA, SHE MIGHT HAVE
THE BABY MOVE BACK TO
MISSISSIPPI WITH HER POPS
AND FORGET I EXIST. SHE
DOESN'T WANT TO BE
WARRIED TO A HUSBAND."

"IT'S NOT FAIR,
EVERYTHING'S
FALLING APART."



"AND WHAT
HAVE I GOT TO
LOOK FORWARD
TO? NOTHING."

"I LOSE LANANDA AND
THE BABY, MAYBE LOSE
AN ARM OR A LEG OR MY
FACE OVER THERE..."



"AND COME
BACK HERE TO
GET SPIT ON
AND CALLED A
BABY KILLER."



"I'M NOT
KIDDING..."

"I'LL PEE
RIGHT HERE ON
THE SIDEWALK IF
WE DON'T FIND A
TOILET IN THE NEXT
FIVE MINUTES."

"WHAT
ABOUT IN
THERE?"



"DO
CHURCHES HAVE
RESTROOMS?"

"YOU'RE
JOKING
RIGHT?"

"WELL, I
DON'T
KNOW, DO
THEY?"







GOD
DAMN
HIPPIES.

WHO'S
BACK
THERE...?



HELLO.
WELCOME
TO
THE CHURCH OF
THE EPIPHANY.

HI,
WE'RE
JUST...
UH...

THEY NEED
TO USE THE
FACILITIES.
FATHER BOB.

OH,
SURE, SURE.
THEY'RE DOWN
THERE, TO THE LEFT.



WE SHOULD GO
AHEAD AND GET
EVERYTHING LOCKED
UP FOR THE NIGHT.
WE'LL KEEP THE
FRONT DOORS OPEN,
BUT STILL...

HAVE
YOU SEEN
PETER?

HE'S
CHASING
THE SEX
GATE.



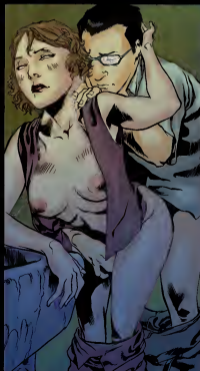
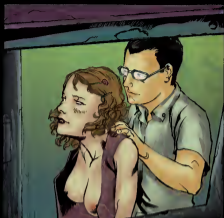
"GOOD. WE'LL
TAKE IN
WHOEVER NEEDS
SHELTER..."

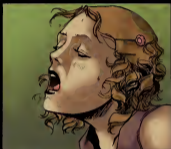
"BUT THERE'S
NOTHING WRONG
WITH BEING
CAUTIOUS."

HEY, IF
THERE'S
SOMEONE
BACK
HERE, GET THE
HELL OUT
Y'HEART!



K-TINK.
TNNK.













SO IS YOUR
BOYFRIEND
COMING BACK
OUT OR WHAT?

I KNOW
I'M GETTING A
LITTLE TIRED OF
THIS CRAP
ALWAYS IN THE
BACK SEAT.

I WON'T
ASK.

I SPEND A
LOT OF TIME
WAITING AROUND
FOR HIM WHILE HE'S
HELD-UP FOR A
MILLION DIFFERENT
REASONS.

THAT
DOESN'T WEAR
ANYTHING.
MAYBE HE'S
JUST A BUSY
GUY.

HOW
ABOUT WE
TALK ABOUT
YOU
CHRISTIAN.

UH-HUH.
READING YOU
LOUD AND
CLEAR.



OKAY
FINE.

WHAT
DO YOU
WANT TO
KNOW?

I DON'T
SEE A RING
ON YOUR
FINGER.

NOPE.

I DON'T
SEE ONE ON
YOURS.

NOPE. WHAT
DO YOU DO
WHEN YOU'RE NOT
DEFENDING
DEMOCRACY?

I DON'T
KNOW. UNCLE
SAM NAMED ME
OUT OF COLLEGE
BEFORE I HAD A
CHANCE TO FIND
OUT.

WHY ARE
YOU HERE?
THOUGHT I MEAN
IT'S DANGEROUS.
BUT IT'S THAT ARMY
JACKET IS LIKE A
TARGET TO THESE
PEOPLE.

BELIEVE IT OR
NOT, I'M SAFER
HERE THAN
ANYWHERE ELSE...
CONSIDERING WHY
I CAME TO DC.

AND THAT
WOULD BE
WHY?



I'M HERE TO
EXPOSE SOMETHING
THAT'S GOING ON
OVER IN NAM. THE
TRUTH. I'VE SEEN A
LOT THING THAT
PEOPLE BACK HERE
DON'T KNOW
ABOUT....

THINGS THAT
THE GOVERNMENT
KNOWS, BUT IS
IGNORING, BECAUSE
IT'S NOT IMPORTANT
APPARENTLY.



BUT IT IS
IMPORTANT AND
IT COULD CHANGE
EVERYTHING IF
WHAT'S IN THIS
LETTER GETS
OUT.

IF I TOOK THIS
TO THE NEWS
PEOPLE, THE ARMY
WOULD FIND ME. IT'S
ALL A CONSPIRACY
THEY'RE ALL IN IT
TOGETHER TO KEEP
THE SECRETS.



SO I'M HERE TO
DELIVER THIS
MESSAGE TO THE
PRESIDENT. I FIGURED
THAT IF I DO IT IN THE
MIDDLE OF ALL OF
THESE PEOPLE, I'LL
BE SAFE.

OR
MAYBE NOT.
MAYBE A
SNIPER GETS
ME. I DON'T
KNOW.

BUT WHAT
HAPPENS TO ME
WOULDN'T MATTER
AS LONG AS
EVERYONE
KNOWS.



HOW.

JUST
"WOW."



WHAT ARE YOU
GOING TO SAY?
WHAT'S THE
SECRETS CAN
YOU TELL ME?

I'D RATHER
NOT. I DON'T
EVEN WANT TO
THINK ABOUT IT IF
I DON'T HAVE
TO.

IT'S...
HORRIBLE.
THAT'S ALL I
CAN SAY.



HEY.

HEY MAN...
HOLD IT.

GET AWAY
FROM ME!





WHAT WAS THAT ALL ABOUT? GOD.

ARE YOU OKAY?

YEAH, I... OH, CRAP!



HOLY SHIT.

I DIDN'T HIT HIM THAT HARD. I DON'T THINK.



OH, MY GOD... CROSS.

IS THAT... WHAT IS THAT SKIN?

I'M GONNA Puke.



"THEY HEE LEE HOW MANY KIDS DID YOU KILL, TONIGHT?"

"CAN ONE OF YOU TURN THAT DOWN, PLEASE?"

"THE PICTURES ALONE ARE BAD ENOUGH."

"YES, SIR, MR. PRESIDENT."



WHAT DO YOU HAVE FOR ME, TOMPKINS?

YOUR MORNING ASSEMBLY. I DID SOME RESEARCHING AND I THINK I'VE MADE EVERYTHING FIT.

YOUR 10:00 CALL WITH SENATOR KENNEDY WILL NOW BE AT 11:00 WHICH MAKES ROOM FOR THE PERSONAL MEETING WHICH MR. WILSON REQUESTED.

FINE, FINE. MAKE SURE BRENNON GETS A MARGRAPH OF THE NEW SCHEDULE.



SINCE I ANNOUNCED I WOULDN'T RUN FOR RE-ELECTION, NONE OF THEM HAVE STOPPED KNOCKING ON THE DOOR.

BUT I'M NOT CHANGING MY MIND. I'M ENDORING HUBERT AND SO ARE THE UNION.

HE'S A GOOD MAN, A GOOD LEADER. I HATE TO PROPEL ALL OF THIS IN HIS LAM. THE COUNTRY BEING IN THE STATE IT'S IN.



WHAT'S THE PROTEST SITUATION LIKE DOWN AT THE NATIONAL MALL?

STABLE FOR THE MOMENT. THE PRESS IS ESTIMATING 10,000 ARE THERE NOW. ANOTHER 30,000 TO 50,000 TO ARRIVE BY TOMORROW NIGHT.

AND ALL AVAILABLE NATIONAL GUARD UNITS ARE IN PLACE?

YES, SIR.



GOOD. LET'S HOPE EVERYONE KEEPS LEVEL HEADS. I CAN'T AFFORD ANY MISTAKES.

I'VE TAKEN THE BLAME FOR SO MUCH ALREADY...



"THE LAST THING I NEED IS ORANGE TELLING AMERICA THAT I CAN'T EVEN CONTROL A BUNCH OF HIPPIES IN MY OWN BACKYARD!"

